

## **Educational Services Unit No. 5**

### **Board Minutes**

**October 9, 2023**

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 5 met on Monday, October 9, 2023 at the offices of ESU No. 5 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Roll call was taken. Present were board members Vicki Hinz-Ensz, Duane Smith, Betty Meyer, Tim McAllister, Carla Loemker, Administrator Brenda McNiff, ESU 5 Treasurer Jan Reimer, and Board Recording Secretary Vicki Frerking. Board members Roger Smidt and Jeannine Murphy were absent.

Vice-Chair Vicki Hinz-Ensz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the absence of Chair Smidt. She acknowledged that this was an open meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and notice of such was published in the Beatrice Daily Sun and Hebron Journal Register the week of September 28, 2023.

Vicki Hinz-Ensz moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Tim McAllister. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Vicki Ensz moved to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2023 Budget hearing; seconded by Carla Loemker. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Betty Meyer moved to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2023 Board meeting; seconded by Tim McAllister. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Duane Smith moved to approve the September Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills in the amount of \$547,215.33; seconded by Betty Meyer. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

### **Old Business:**

### **New Business:**

Carla Loemker moved to approve out-of-state travel for Kelly Garcia, Christina Schroeder, Nick Ziegler, MaryAnn Johnson, Kim Ramirez and Joseba Moreno to attend the Central States World Language Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota March 14-16, 2024, where Kelly and Christina will be presenters; seconded by Tim McAllister. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Board members were instructed to let Jan Reimer know if they are planning to attend the AESA Conference in Anaheim, California November 29-December 2, 2023.

### **Administrative Updates:**

Administrator McNiff reported that State Senators Tom Brandt and Myron Dorn will be at ESU 5 to visit with ESU 5 Superintendents and ESU 5 staff on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Board members are invited to attend.

Administrator McNiff reported that a hearing date has not yet been scheduled for Senator Dave Murman's Legislative Resolution 240 studying the impact and necessity of Nebraska's Educational Service Units.

The annual audit for ESU 5 will be November 8-9, 2023. Gene Ulmer, with Dana Cole & Company, will conduct audit.

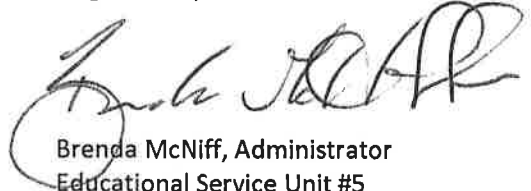
No one was in attendance to provide public comment on any items.

The next board meeting will be November 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of ESU No. 5.

With no further business, Carla Loemker moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Betty Meyer.  
Motion passed by consensus. Vice Chair Ensz adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.



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